

WEEKDAY MASSES
26TH – 31ST JULY 2010
SEVENTEENTH WEEK OF THE YEAR

MONDAY 26th JULY - St JOACHIM AND St ANNE

These names are given to the mother and father of the Blessed Virgin by a tradition dating back to the second century. As St John Damascene wrote: "O blessed couple. All creation is in your debt. For through you is presented the noblest of gifts to the creator, namely a spotless mother who alone was worthy for the creator."

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Praised be Joachim and Anne for the child they bore. The Lord gave them the blessing of all the nations.

PSALM RESPONSE

You forget the God who fathered you.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Through the Good News God called us to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

They received a blessing from the Lord, and kindness from God their Saviour.

TUESDAY 27th JULY - FERIA

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

Rescue us, O Lord,
for the glory of your name.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord remains for ever:

What is this word?

It is the Good News that has been brought to you.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

WEDNESDAY 28th JULY - FERIA

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

O God, you have been a refuge in the day of my distress.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is a lamp for my steps
and a light for my path.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

THURSDAY 29th JULY – St MARTHA

The sister of Mary and Lazarus, she appears in the Gospel three times – when she receives the Lord into her house and waits on him; at the resurrection of Lazarus, when she proclaims her faith in Jesus, "son of the living God"; and in John 12:2, at the meal given to Jesus six days before the Passover.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

As Jesus entered a certain village a woman called Martha welcomed him into her house.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

I will bless the Lord at all times.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Martha said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the son of God, who was to come into this world.

FRIDAY 30th JULY - FERIA

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

In your great love, answer me, O God.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Accept God's message for what it really is:
God's message, and not some human thinking.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

OR ST PETER CHRYSOLOGUS

Born about 400, bishop of Ravenna, his preaching was famous, and more than 180 sermons, mainly on scripture and the liturgical year, have survived. He died about 450.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, and I will raise up one shepherd who will pasture them. I, the Lord, will be their God.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM AND ACCLAMATION AS FERIA

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have not chosen me; I have chosen you. Go and bear fruit that will last.

SATURDAY 31st JULY – St IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Born in 1491 at Loyola in the north of Spain, of a courtly family, he became a soldier, but during convalescence from a wound, was converted to a deep love of Christ and a missionary sense. He studied theology in Paris. With companions, he formed the Society of Jesus, to resist the Protestant Reformation, to reform the Church from within, and to educate the young in religion. He died in 1556, at Rome.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

At the name of Jesus every knee must bend, in heaven, on earth, and under the earth; every tongue should proclaim to the glory of God the Father: Jesus Christ is Lord.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

In your great love, answer me, O God.

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are those who,
with noble and generous heart,
take the word of God to themselves
and yield a harvest through their perseverance.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I have come to bring fire to the earth. How I wish it were already blazing.